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Art Unit: 2875

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37 CFR §§ 1.97, 1.98

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Sir:

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Information or art known to the Applicants and having an extent of relevance to the present application has been listed on Form PTO-1449 attached hereto. It includes four foreign patent publications. The Applicants have employed Form PTO-1449 for the purposes of convenience of the Office and the Examiner. Copies of the foreign publications are enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2).

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It is the position of the Applicants that none of the art provided herein accomplishes the objects of the present invention. The Applicants believe that the claims of the subject application are patentably distinct over the art of record. In the event the Examiner would care to discuss any of the foregoing more specifically, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call.

Respectfully submitted,



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Information Disclosure Statement 37 C.F.R. §1.97(B)
Form PTO-1449 Information Disclosure Citation
Four (4) foreign patent publications
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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2001-125195	05/01	Japan			
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